

Docket No.: 2723-0139PUS1  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

---

In re Patent Application of:  
Fiorenzo DRAGHETTI

International Application No.: PCT/EP2003/050353

Application No.: Not Yet Assigned

Art Unit: N/A

Filed: February 4, 2005

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

For: METHOD AND MACHINE FOR PACKING A  
PRODUCT IN A FLAT TUBULAR PACKAGE

**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS PCT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This amendment includes:

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.